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For: A COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK FOR EXCHANGING DATA PACKETS OF ATM CONNECTIONS AND METHODS AND NETWORK NODES FOR THIS

COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, after the title insert the heading, --Background of the Invention--.

line 6 (according to the line numbering), delete "according to the preamble of

Claim 1";

line 8, delete "according to the preamble of Claim 2";

line 9, delete "according to the preamble of Claim 3";

line 11, delete "according to the preamble of Claims 4 and 5";

line 12, delete "according to the preamble of Claim 6".

lines 15-16 delete "as described in the preamble of Claim 1" and insert -- of the

type to which the present invention is directed--.

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